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PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Ryuichiro MAEYAMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1773

Application No.: 09/977,298

Examiner: K. Kruer

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Docket No.: 110894

For: HEAT RESISTANT RESIN FILM WITH METAL THIN FILM, MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THE RESIN FILM, ENDLESS BELT, MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THE BELT, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
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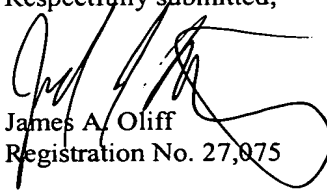
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